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Jim Orr Called to National Conference in N. Y.

Democrats to Meet With Wilson to Consider Issues.

### BANKERS

They Think State Banker Ought the to Be Commissioner.

Charles Sessions Would Abolish Utilities Commission.

James W. Orr, of Atchison left last night for New York, where he will at- penitentlary. tend a conference of Democratic leaders outlining political and legislative affairs in the various states and in the UUA nation during the next four years. President-elect Woodrow Wilson will attend the New York conference and McPherson Couple Victims of the question of federal patronage, Orr admitted, is one of the matters to be considered at the gathering of party for speaker of the next house of repre-

sentatives. Orr was in Topeka Thursday. He left over the Santa Fe for Chicago and from there will go direct to New York. In discussing his New York trip, Orr was silent as to the details of the meeting. He admitted in a general way that the patronage question is one of the matters to be discussed by the Democratic

Just at present the civil service rules are causing the Democrats some alarm. Those rules are standing as a blockade against some nice jobs, Whether or not the Democratic congress should remove this barrier, is a serious ques-tion and it may be considered in the Wednesday afternoon.

meeting this week.

The question of impending national The question of impending national legislation is also to be discussed by the party leaders from all sections of the country. In a recommendation the party leaders from all sections of the country. In a general way, the Democrats will this winter endeavor to fulfill the party's national policies. With a Democratic house and senate and a Democratic governor, there is little reason why these policies can not

be closely followed in Kansas.

But on top of it all is the big, serious question of patronage. In Kansas the federal patronage problem is one of no little worry among the Democratic leaders. There are the hundreds of men who cannot pass the postoffice without a hungry feeling; and there are others who view the big federal appointments with much longfederal appointments with much long-

one thing to be watched with much One thing to be watched with much interest this winter by Kansas Democrats will be action of United States Senator J. L. Bristow concerning the Kansas patronage. Bristow and Curtis have been unable to agree on the division of federal ple in Kansas. Because he is "personally distasteful" Bristow has blocked the confirmation of the reappointment of Harry J. Bone as United States district attorney for the district of Kansas. Should Bristow's unfriendiliness for Bone be pourished through the present session tow's unfriendliness for Bone be nourished through the present session a year into the state treasury.

The property is a property of congress, it would bring added joy for a number of years a string of congress.

Douglas county men and women. The be true. But the sand companies have love feast held in Lawrence, was addressed by Governor Stubbs, William Allen White, J. L. Brady. Prof. W. H. Humble, Miss Helen N. Ecker, U. S. tom. At Lawrence are as many more. Sartin and Judge J. H. Mitchell. was White who stirred the Douglas county Progressives with his asser-tion that Woodrow Wilson, by his ad-ministration, will kill the Democratic or he will kill the Republican

"Woodrow Wilson is going to ruin one of two parties during the next four declared the Emporia publish-"I like straight truth and I tell you frankly that I believe he will put his own party down and out." At the meeting Governor Stubbs de-

clared against the plan for a single six year term for presidents. He declared that six years was much too long for some presidents to serve while it was not long enough for oth-

A number of the Douglas county Progressives are expected to attend the state wide meeting in Topeka De-

The state bankers who met in Topeka this week, started trouble last night when a number of their lead-ers started a fight on Charles M. Sawyer's candidacy for bank commission-er. Because Sawyer is a national banker, it is declared, he will violate the sacred rights of the guaranty law. And so, the state bankers insist that

lieves that but slight change would be required in the present law to make the commission an auxiliary of the secretary of state's office.

Otis Allen, a well known Topeka at torney, is being urged for the appointment as attorney for the public util-lties commission to succeed John Marshall. Allen, who is a son of former Supreme Court Justice S. H. Allen, is prominent in Democratic circles in Shawnee county and may be crowded into the running for Marshall's present

appointment as warden of the state penitentiary has been squarely checked up to Thomas W. Morgan, publisher of the Ottawa Republic, Morgan will probably make his decision in the next two weeks. He is considered a most valuable make his decision in the next two weeks. two weeks. He is considered a most valuable man to succeed J. K. Codding. But Morgan, it is claimed, is not anxious to land the job. The appointment was offered to him without solicitation and it will probably be only because of urgent requests, if at all, that the Ottawa editor might consent to take the wardenship of the Kansas

Fumes From Stove.

leaders. Orr is the leading candidate Mrs. Rosengren Dead: Husband pension agents. The saving in salar-Living and May Recover.

> McPherson, Kan., Dec. 13.—An autopsy today developed the fact that Mr. and Mrs. John Rosengren, who were believed to have attempted suicide Wednesday at their home, near this city, were poisoned by fumes from a coal stove. Mrs. Rosengren is dead. She was 75 years old. Mr. Rosengren is still alive and probably will recover. He is 80 years old. The aged couple piled a small heating stove full of coal and retired Tuesday night. McPherson, Kan., Dec. and retired Tuesday night.
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> Neighbors found Mrs. Rosengren
> dead and her husband unconscious

Auditor Would Save \$50,000 a Year for State.

Make Companies Pay Royalty for Use of Sand From Rivers.

State Auditor W. E. Davis, in his recommendations to the legislature, proposes a most feasible plan for saving \$50,000 a year to the state in the general effort to find relief from the

of congress, it would bring added Joy to the Democratic district attorney when Judge Thompson s coeeds Curtis and after Woodrow Wilson's inauguration as president.

Text conference, Orr.

The sand is sold to the publication of congress, it would mean a corporations in the sand business, have been taking sand from the beds of the Kansas and Arkansus rivers. Davis has learned that 1.200,000 cubic yards of sand are taken annually from these are president. as president.

In the New York conference, Orr
will act as a sort of encyclodepia on
who's who in Kansas Democratic circles. And while no advance information will probably be carried to Kansas, the New York conference is
sas, the New York conference is
sable to collect a royalty of four cents

tom. At Lawrence are as many more. There is another at Manhattan and four more at the mouth of the Kaw In Kansas City, Kan. Along the Arkansas at Hutchinson, Wichita and other towns, the sand business has be-come a big-profitable institution. Yet no one ever raised a question that the state of Kansas had a just and equitable claim to some of the profits of this mammoth business. Year after year the property owners went about their dally affairs, paid their taxes on their visible assets and the sand companies visible assets and the sand companies did the same. And each year the state continued to give these sand companies all the sand they could take from the beds of the streams.

Now Davis plans a relief. There are

dozen other reliefs promised from as nany sources-each reducing the state taxes. But Davis' plan costs nothing except to the people who gain the profits. In addition to the millions of tons of sand that have been taken from the beds of the navigable streams of the state, much gravel had also been hauled and this, too has resulted in foresight to take possession of this property. But never one dollar has the state received for this privilege.

In his recommendations to the leg-slature, as affecting the sand problem, And so, the state bankers insist that one of their own members be named They will check the matter up to Governor-elect Hodges when he returns from his Texas hunting trip. But even then. Sawyer seems to have the inside track and the wise politicians claim he can pull down the appointment if he wants it. Sawyer is rated as one of the shrewdest and most level headed bankers in the state.

In his annual recommendations to the governor. Secretary of State Charles Sessions urges that the business of the utilities commission be handled under the direction and in the office of the secretary of state. His theory is that the governor, attorney general and secretary of state should compose the commission. While his discussion of the subject is brief, Sessions believes that this change would prove a real benefit to the business interests of the state and the public service corporations. He be-Davis says:

Wichita Man Made Disburser of Pensions.

Has Made Fine Record in 23 -Years' Federal Service.

will They Are in Interest of Kansas Individuals, as Usual.

Good Story on Kansas.

been appointed by the secretary of the interior to take charge of paying all sion money, has a splendid record for the medical reserve corps.

efficiency in the federal service at Washington for the past 23 years. His title will be disbursing clerk of the title will be disbursing clerk of the pension office. The salary is \$4,000 a ies alone in the abolishment of the 18 agencies is nearly \$7,000 a year.

Dr. Thompson was chosen disbursing clerk, it was said, because of his stituting for this voucher two other signatures on the back of the pensioner's check, in addition to his or her own signature. This plan gives full own signature. This plan gives full protection to the government, both as to the identity of the payee and as receipt of payment.

Dr. Thompson entered the service in the patent office in 1889. Advancing through various grades, he became chief of the finance division of the pension office on April 1, 1903, a post ie has since held.

Commissioner of Pensions Davenport has instructed the pension agents at Topeka. New York, Philadelphia,
Louisville, Indianapolis and Knoxville,
comprising one of the three groups of
agencies, to ship their books and records to Washington not later than December 15. The other two groups will
be ordered later to have all their records and papers here before Terraords and papers here before Terraords and papers here before Terraords and papers here before January It was learned here today that much

which pensioners are paid.

Senator Charles Curtis has introduced senator Charles Curtis has introduced a bill in the senate directing the secretary of the treasury to pay to Frank Hodges, of Olathe. Kan, who is the brother of the governor-elect of Kansas, the sum of \$50, to reimburse him another execution in Oregon until the for the amount paid the United States. for the amount paid the United States!

the government barracks at Fort Lyon.

The two resolutions submitted to the senate by Senator Joe Bristow, of Kan-sas for the amendment of the constitution are neither as revolutionary nor as illusory as they may seem at first sight to conservative observation. When congress adopts a law and the supreme court rules that law be unconstitutional in so deciding some suit or process where the authority of the said law is denied, no danger can be seen to good government in giving the people a revisionary power. And where congress persistently refuses to pass a measure recommended by the president it should be reasonable enough to refer that measure to a plebiscite of the peoplè. The certain thing is that the ma-chinery of government must be made more readily responsible to the will of Mayor Gaynor of N. Y. Tells now exists is, virtually, inhibitory of

Three young Kansans have been nominated by the president appoint-washington, Dec. 13.—Dr. Alvan H. ment as lieutenants in the army. They Thompson of Wichita, Kan., who has are: Carl Jay Ballinger, to be second been appointed by the secretary of the lieutenant in the infantry arm: Alfred Bixby Quinton, jr., to be second lieuteninterior to take charge of paying all ant in the coast artillery corps; Her-of the \$180,000,000 of government pen- bert Atkins, to be first lieutenant in

year, the amount paid to each of the 18 good one on Kansas at a banquet here recently. Addressing a prohibitionist at his side, he said: "It is spissitudinous on your part to

think that prohibition would succeed in cosmopolitan New York, Prohibition would do worse there than in Kansas. You know how it does there. Out in Kansas liquor is sold as a medicine.

Congressman Dan R. Anthony, Kansas, was among the speakers at the tenth initiation banquet of the Delta Tau Delta fraternity of this city a few

influence was brought to bear in favor of the appointment to the position of disbursing clerk of one or other of the Grand Army men who have been serving as pension agents.

Under the new system there will be no change in the quarterly dates on which pensioners are paid.

be hanged today in the state prison asked to make use of their employment, the state prison asked to make use of their employment. Here, a fifth John M. Taylor, who will be not reciprocate in our attempts to keep up car schedules—will they keep their fares in other places than buried bence yesterday to life imprisonment. Governor West announced then that he killed A. H. Perry in Harney county, a year ago, was to have been hanged but the governor commuted his sentence yesterday to life imprisonment.

Governor West announced then that he governor west announced then that he would not interfere to prevent the executions of the remaining four.

government for a license to hunt in to pass upon an initiative act abolish-Alaska. Immediately after the issuance in capital punishment. This proposed of the license Hodges was taken dan-gerously ill. and his trip to Alaska 000 in the general election last month. law was defeated by a majority of 20, gerously ill. and his trip to Alaska abandoned. Hence he did not have use for the license, and wants to be reimbursed by the government for the frank Garrison and E. E. Roberts. Fauldner killed a camp cook in Aupension Bills.

The men to be hanged today are Morgan. House Puts in the Day on Private Fauldner killed a camp cook in AuPension Bills. sas, the New York conference is quite likely to settle in a general way the division of some of the really good upholstered federal jobs in this state and in the nation.

Douglas county, the home of Governor Stubbs, gave the Progressive movement a fitting launching Thursday ment a fitting launching Thursday men

Extra Street Cars to Be Placed in Service Monday.

Uniformed Men to Help Women at Busy Corners.

General Superintendent Patten Policeman Rescues Them From They Win and Occupy a Turk-Offers Holiday Advice.

ers Crowd Stores.

stalled on all the important lines in the city running immediately after lunch until 6:30 p. m. The uniformed men to aid women with packages on firemen who were caught under a fall-Mayor Gaynor, of New York, told a street, Eighth avenue, Seventh street, were any fatalities.

the West Sixth-asylum district, the Oakland interurban and the North Topeka trips. In some parts of the city patrons will be given three and five minute cars. In all the 15 minute territories on the heavy traveled com-muter lines seven and a half minute service will be given.

It is the intention of the street car company to improve the accommoda-tions at the railway stations, also. Hundreds of out of town shoppers come to Topeka every week General Super-intendent Patten asserts. The incoming trains the last few days have been filled with Christmas buyers.

At all the important stopping cor-ners in the business district the rail-way company will help women on and

Idyl-Mountain Maiden's Drean street car discontent than any other feature.

"We are going to do our best ward facilitating the service this holi-day rush season and the patrons can do wonders by aiding us in the work. It is to a patron's interest that the cars should keep their schedules—as well as to our interest

## TODAY IN CONGRESS.

### THE POSTMAN'S KIHTMARE



### private pension legislation. Represen-tative E. Kindred introduced resolu-tion cailing for report of investigation of Peruvian rubber district atrocities. Representative Kahn urged public Readjustment of patent fee system proposed in bill introduced by Representative Oldfield. Resumed consideration

Burning Apartment House.

Building Entirely Destroyed.

Pittsburg, Dec. 13 .- More than 200

way to the fourth story and rescued 14

Marshall's Band at Auditorium

in Afternoon.

City's Poor Children.

Waltz—Sweet Remembrance. St. Clair

Fantasia—"Creme de la Creme"

Instead of 249,000 Bushels.

The program for the big free con-

Chambers

of Indian appropriation bill. Money trust investigation committee continues

As an accommodation to the Topeka holiday shoppers the Topeka Railway company will place extra cars and uniformed street corner men in service beginning Monday and lasting until Christmas eve. Extra cars will be in-A report spread through the crowd that eight women had been trapped in

Sixth avenue and Fifth street corners. The extra car service will be placed on the Washburn-Huntoon and Washa rear room and a policeman made his burn-Douthitt lines, the Lowman line, women, dragging and carrying them to the front of the building where they were taken down ladders.

Uniformed Men at Street Corners.

oregon Executive Has Represented All of Them.

Defeat of Measure Abolishing Hanging Spells Death Today.

Salem, Ore. Dec. 13.—Unless Governor Oswald West intervenes four men will be hanged today in the state prison here. A fifth John M. Taylor, who "women shoppers are crowding the cars in the late afternoon, "explained Alibert M. Patten, general superintendent, this afternoon. "On their way home they are loaded down with packages that not only Jam the asises of the cars but cause delay in boarding and alighting. We have stopped for women who found it nearly impossible to step on a car on account of the packages in their arms. Out of two women who found it nearly impossible to step on a car on account of the packages in their arms. Out of two women shoppers with suit cases, grips, paper boxes and other packages have been helped on the cars by strangers. "We will place these uniformed men at all the congested corners. They will aid passengers, and patrons are asked to make use of their employment. city before.

The concert begins at 3 o'clock and will last for two hours. A collection will be taken up during the concert, the money going to the Provident association for the purchase of Christmas presents for the city's poor chil-The program follows:
March—"Religioso" . . . . Cl
Selection—Joy to the World.

### Trego County Man Attacks Last Kansas Crop Report.

Says Trego Co. Yield 600,000

Washington, Dec. 13.—Senate convened at noon. Resumed consideration of omnibus claims bill. Court of impeachment resumed trial of Judge ing to a letter to the State Journal from J. W. Phares, a Wa-Keeney merchant. In his report Coburn showed a wheat yield of 249,152 bushels in Tregor considered wheat yield of 249,152 bushels in Tregor constitute the Tregor const

county. Phares is positive the Trego yield was 600,000 bushels and produces shipping records to prove his conten-The latest Coburn report was issued and published in the State Journal on November 27. It gave tabulated figures of the wheat, corn and oat yield in every county in the state and was the official record on which the crop out-put of Kansas is based. This same authority is used by many commission firms and is accepted by many people

as law. And now Phares declares that Coburn's report under-estimated the Trego yield by at least half.

Concerning this report, Phares "In the Issue of the State Journal of November 27 I note that you give the wheat yield of the various counties for 1912, and that in the list you give the wheat yield for Trego county to be 249,152. This you will find, by making proper investigation, is less than one-half of what was actually raised in the county for the year.

100,000 bushels delivered there from the Trego county crop. This makes a total of 390,000 bushels. There has been used for seed 80,000 bushels or more and there is still in the hands of the farmers 130,000 or more; which makes a total 10 o'clock....... yield for the county of 600,000 bushels. 'It is true that of that amount shipped from Wakeeney, there was a small amount that came from the south edge of Graham county. On the other hand there was probably as much marketed at Rapsom and Brownell from the Trego county crop as would come from Graham county to Wa-Keeney. This would balance the above figures and make Trego county's crop not less than 600,000 bushel."

Phares has made a close investigation of the wheat yield in Trego county a id has secured reports of all wheat marketed in the several towns of the county. This information as to the wheat now in bins and the amount sown this full, convinces the Wakeeney man that Coburn's report showed less than one-half of the yield in Trego, one of the most important wheat countles in the state.

1 rather Forecast for Kansas. Fair tonight and Saturday.

building committee to provide \$500,000 The Greeks Inaugurate a Gen-for marine hospital at San Francisco. eral Offensive Movement

> Along the Whole Line of Army in Epirus.

## "HAVE YOUR FARES READY" SAVES 14 WOMEN AT POINT OF THE BAYONET

ish Advance Post

Hundreds of Out of Town Buy- Several Persons Injured- And Capture a Large Amount of War Material.

> Athens, Dec. 13 .- A general offensive persons, residents of the Library apart- movement along the whole line was ments, a large residence building in begun on Wednesday by the Greek the business heart of the north side army operating in Epirus, the most were driven into the streets this morn- westerly portion of the Balkan penin-

> After repeated attacks the Greek troops occupied at the point of the bayonet the Turkish advanced posts firemen who were caught under a fall- toward the Visali fortifications and

The Greeks captured three oulck firing cannon, a large quantity of war materials and many tents.

General Sapountzakis, who was in command of the Greek army, reports from Pentepigedia that his troops fought with vigor during the entire day. With the view of drawing off a portion of the Turkish troops concen-trating on the fortress of Janina when the Greeks were about to make their frontal attack, two battalions of Greek infantry supported by four field guns were landed at Santiquaranta, to the northwest of Janina.

The diversion was successfully carried out. The Turks as soon as they learned of the landing of the Greek troops sent out eight battalions with two batteries of siege guns to engage

After a skirmish the Greek troops were reembarked and made for another part of the coast of Epirus. The Greeks lost only five killed and 19 wounded

## cert to be given Sunday afternoon by Marshall's band at the Auditorium has been announced. It includes some of the prettiest selections played by the band at the open air concerts this summer and a number of new pieces that have never been rendered in this

Did Harvey Puryear Knock to Be Denied Admission.

And His Wife Had Him Arrested and Fined \$50.

man's home is not always his castle. Harvey Puryear, a negro, knocked on the door but was denied admittance to his home by his wife. He decided to break in and was fined \$50 in police court Thursday after-Song—The Rosary ..... Nevin Overture—Stabat Mater .... Rossini Labitzkey

Puryear has been enjoined from disturbing his wife while a suit for a divorce is pending in the district court. He contended that she sent for him, but she denied this and asserted that he frightened her so much that she left the place. partly clad, and went to the home of a neighbor.

## REID SERIOUSLY ILL.

American Ambassador to England Suffers From Asthma.

London, Dec. 13,-Whitelaw Reid United States ambassador, is seriously ill. He is suffering from asthma and That last crop report of Secretary III. He is suffering from asthma and his condition has become considerably ture, has brought sorrow and disgrace on the head of Trego county, according the last week. Several specialists to in attendance.

The ambassador was not well when he returned from America in October. Afterward he caught cold from which he was recovering when he suffered a relapse after delivering his speech at the opening session of the University of Wales at Aberystwith on October 31, which overtaxed his strength. He has been confined to his room at Dorchester house most of the time since that date.

The English winter weather is regarded as very unfavorable for per-sons suffering from the malady with which the ambassador is afflicted.

# THE NOVEMBER KIND.

That Is the Weather Handed Out Here Today.

A November brand of weather is being experienced in Topeka today. The temperature at two o'clock was fifteen degrees above that of Thursday at the same hour. The elements have been playing a see-saw game recently. One "At present there has been shipped day it has been cold and the next day out from the various markets the following amounts: from Voda, 20,000 weather man, however, Saturday will bushels: Walkeeney, 130,000 bushels: be another warm and pleasant day, Ogallah, 140,000 bushels; and from Ellis, The wind is blowing at the rate of ten miles an hour from the south. The hourly readings:

o'clock........33 11 o'clock........41 .32 12 o'clock......44 .35 1 o'clock .......... 46 .39 2 o'clock.........49

### 9 o'clock ..... THOU SHALT NOT KILL.

Sentiment Is Urged Throughout the Night in Frisco Streets.

San Francisco, Dec. 13.—"Thou shalt not kill," the slogan of the Anti-Capital Punishment league, was urged

Capital Punishment league, was urged throughout the night to varying crowds at the 24-hour street meeting organized by the league as a protest against the four hangings scheduled today at the Oregon prison and the one at Folsom, Cal.

The meeting, with speakers relieving each other at half hour intervals, began at 6 o'clock last night and drew the crowds which blocked traffic early in the night. In the cold hour of the dawn few listeners ralied under the gasoline torches but iled under the gasoline torones but the speaking continued.